Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3, with the following amended paragraph:

~~RELATED APPLICATIONS~~

This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. [_____] 10/029,570 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Shape Forming Endovascular Graft Material" by Chobotov et al., U.S. Patent Application Serial No. [_____] 10/029,584 entitled "Endovascular Graft Joint and Method for Manufacture" by Chobotov et al., and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. [_____] 10/029,557 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Manufacturing an Endovascular Graft Section", by Chobotov et al. All of the above applications are commonly owned and were filed on even date herewith. All of the above applications are hereby incorporated by reference , each in its entirety.